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Executive for Administration and Management

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Assistant Director for Operations

Reorganization of the FBIB Mediterranean Bureau

REFERENCE: Memorandum attached hereto, dated 25 June 1948, to Executive for A & M from AD/00, subject: Request for New Table of Organization for FBIB Mediterranean Bureau

1. With reference to remarks from the Executive for A & M to AD/00 attached to reference memorandum, the following information is furnished concerning housing.

a. A recent survey of housing in the area near the site of the new FBIB station on Cyprus disclosed that there were 29 houses available for rent. However, most of these houses do not have central heating, refrigeration, modern plumbing, etc., and do not in general meet the standards to which American employees are accustomed. Whether or not a sufficient number of these houses will meet satisfactory standards, and will still be available for rent at the time the Cyprus station is activated cannot be accurately predicted.

b. There are two hotels in the vicinity of this site which do not meet stateside standards in all respects but which do provide adequate living accommodations for American personnel. It is probable, however, that some American personnel will not desire to live permanently in hotel accommodations.

c. It is believed that arrangements for staffing the new FBIB station on Cyprus are not sufficiently complete at this time to state whether or not it will be necessary at a later date to make arrangements for living quarters for American personnel. It is believed, however, that from the available housing and hotel accommodations satisfactory arrangements can be made for the initial phases of this operation and that no definite commitments with respect to providing additional housing for American personnel should be made until the needs of this station are more accurately known. If it does become necessary at a later date to provide such additional housing, an appropriate deduction from the employee's salary should be made so that such housing is not an expense to the U. S. Government.

2. With the overall reorganization of the Mediterranean Bureau, additional financial support will be needed in connection with the employment of unclassified natives, as follows:

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a. In order to recruit a satisfactory staff for this station, salaries considerably greater than those paid unclassified natives at the Cairo station will have to be paid at Cyprus.

b. It is believed that it will also be necessary to pay for the cost of transportation of new employees from the points at which they are hired to their first duty station.

3. Specific recommendations with reference to paragraph 2 a and b above will be submitted in the very near future.

/s/

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